



Gallery of Stars

Guidelines and Nomination Packet



Showcase your Native American Students

The Nebraska Department of Education encourages teachers, students and communities to consider how quality education with an integration of culture can improve the future of the children we serve. With this idea in mind, we want to highlight the leadership efforts of Native American students, 9th grade or higher, in Nebraska. The leadership can be displayed in the classroom, the community, athletics, etc. The Native American Education Office is

looking for nominations.

Nomination packets must be sent complete. Partial receipt of a student's packet will not be accepted into the booklet.

Deadlines are FIRM.

Digital photo guidelines must be adhered to. Students can opt out of the photo but not encouraged. If so, note they are opting out of wanting a photo printed with the bio on their nomination form.

Nomination packets MUST include:

1. Nomination form
2. Biography form
3. Digital Photo* (**see guidelines**)
4. Release Form

We hope to have a broad representation of the Native American students from across Nebraska. Students that are nominated will receive a certificate and be featured in the Gallery of Stars booklets.

DEADLINE

September 10, 2009

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♦ **Conference Dates**

September 21, 2009

Chadron State College
Celebrate Diversity

November 2, 2009

Winnebago Public
Schools

Native American
Symposium



Deadlines and More

Complete nomination packets which include all items stated above, must be received on or before September 10, 2009. Please read the **NEW** guidelines for photography to ensure you have met the regulations to have your photo submitted. All previous nominees must have a new packet and photograph.

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Photos in .jpg format and on a CD. Write the individual names to the photography. One school

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Student Nomination Form



Student Name: _____

High School/college: _____

Age/Grade _____

Nominated by: _____

Briefly describe her/her leadership qualities: (academic, athletic, community, etc.):

Other pertinent information:



Gallery of Stars Student Bio Sheet

To be completed by the student

Student: _____

A. Questions for the Biography

What is your tribal affiliation?

How long have you lived in your current community?

What year in school are you?

What are your educational goals (i.e. finish high school, go to college, go to graduate/medical/law school)?

What are your professional goals/what do you want to do after you finish your education?

What awards/scholarships have you won?

What extracurricular activities are you involved in (if you have already finished high school, you can still include your high school activities)?

B. Please send a current photograph in jpeg format on a disc. All photos will be printed in black and white so make sure the individual's photo is not too dark. Please sign the enclosed release allowing us to use your photograph during the summit.

C. Contact Information

Do you have an email address? If so, can we send emails regarding the Native American Symposium?

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Photo Guidelines



Lighting

Make sure there are no shadows.

Use a neutral background that is not busy. Darker backgrounds such as lockers, chalkboards etc, a person tends to be lost in the photo.

Set your camera on “best quality” and take several shots including flash.

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Clothing

Wear something of medium color such as blue, browns, purples, muted reds. Loud and busy clothing stands out and we want YOU to stand out first.

Necklines be appropriate for publications.

No headgear such as hats, bonnets, scarves etc. unless for medical or religious reasons.

Posing

Appropriate for publication.

Photos used on Facebook, Myspace in general are not acceptable. Remember this is an honor and an award.

Make sure you are far enough away from the individual but not cutting them off. We need a full shot of about mid chest to full head but NOT a close up as when we bring it into the booklet it will appear as all face.

Relax, smile, enjoy

Other

Try to take the photo at “best quality” setting.

Photos taken at school for the purpose of identification cards do not work well.

If you have a photo editor on your computer, save at 300 dpi for best quality. Save in jpeg format.

Burn photos to a CD or DVD. Label your CD/DVD with the school name. Most cameras assign a number to a photo. Send a list of the name(s) that corresponds to the numbered picture.

You will be notified if we receive unacceptable photos and if within time constraints, be asked to submit another photo attempt. Take several shots and we will use the best.





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Consent Approval for Gallery of Stars

Guardian Consent Form—Youth Under Age 19

I, _____, parent or guardian of _____, a minor, hereby grant permission to _____ school district and the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) and its employees and representatives, to allow NDE to take and use video and other photographic images that may include images of my child in the school classroom setting in the above district for use in informational / promotional materials that may be published by NDE. Such publication is anticipated to consist of digital video of language arts instruction and classroom activities that would be available for public viewing on the NDE web site.

I agree and understand that my child may be able to be identified in such video or photographic images and/or accompanying audio. I authorize the use of such images by NDE indefinitely. I understand that all negatives, positives, prints and digital reproductions or video will be the property of NDE.

_____/_____/_____/

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

Consent Form-Over 19 years of Age

I hereby grant to the Nebraska Department of Education (hereafter referred to as NDE) permission and consent to photograph, (by video photography or still photography and with or without sound track) my image and voice for unlimited use in media productions as they see fit, and to freely use such images and recorded sounds in the exhibition of training materials, program promotion, and the distribution thereof to educational and community entities as NDE, its assigns, successors and licensees may elect. I also release NDE from any and all claims and liabilities that may arise from this production. I hereby affirm that I have no further claim on the media recorded on the date below. I affirm that I am 19 years of age or older.

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Contact Information: _____

Signature _____